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PATENT APPLICATION

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Case: DIVA/006CIP1  
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Examiner: SAX, S. P. Group Art Unit: 2173  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING A MENU  
STRUCTURE FOR AN INTERACTIVE INFORMATION  
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

RESPONSE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2002.

Please amend this application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Replace claims 16 and 28-34 with the following claims 16 and 27-33  
(renumbered claims 28-34).

- AI Sub B10
16. (amended) A method of interaction for a program guide:  
generating, within service provider equipment of an information distribution  
system, a bitstream representing a program guide having a video layer and a graphics  
layer;  
communicating said bitstream to subscriber equipment;  
converting, within said subscriber equipment, said bitstream into a display of said  
program guide; and